

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-9 (canceled)

Claim 10 (previously presented): A method for adjusting the length of a stent delivery catheter, comprising:

providing a stent delivery catheter having an inner member and an outer member;
cutting the catheter outer member along a first cutting line extending generally longitudinally along the length of the catheter outer member, whereby the catheter outer member is split along the first cutting line; and

peeling the catheter outer member away from the catheter inner member, whereby the catheter outer member is peeled along the first cutting line.

Claim 11 (previously presented): The method of claim 10, wherein the catheter inner member has a distal end and a proximal end, the method further comprising:

cutting off a selected portion of the catheter inner member, wherein the selected portion is adjacent to the catheter inner member proximal end.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The method of claim 10, further comprising:

cutting the catheter outer member along a second cutting line extending generally longitudinally along the length of the catheter outer member, whereby the catheter outer member is split along the second cutting line.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The method of claim 12, whereby the second cutting line extends generally parallel to the first cutting line.

Claim 14 (previously presented): The method of claim 10, wherein the stent delivery catheter comprises a first cutting device in engagement with the catheter outer member, wherein cutting the catheter outer member along the first cutting line comprises:

sliding the first cutting device along the catheter with the first cutting device engaging the catheter outer member along the first cutting line, whereby the catheter outer member is split along the first cutting line.

Claim 15 (previously presented): The method of claim 14, wherein the stent delivery catheter comprises a second cutting device in engagement with the catheter outer member, the method further comprising:

sliding the second cutting device along the catheter outer member along a second cutting line extending generally longitudinally along the length of the catheter outer member, whereby the catheter outer member is split along the second cutting line.

Claim 16 (previously presented): The method of claim 10, wherein the stent delivery catheter comprises a first cutting device and a second cutting device, with the first cutting device and the second cutting device both secured to a slider mechanism slidably disposed on the catheter outer member, the method comprising:

sliding the slider mechanism along the catheter outer member with the first cutting device engaging the outer member along a first cutting line and with the second cutting device engaging the outer member along a second cutting line, whereby the catheter outer

member is split into two halves defined by the first cutting line and the second cutting line.

Claim 17 (previously presented): A catheter comprising:

an elongated catheter member having a distal end and a proximal end;

a catheter handle secured to the elongated catheter member; and

a platform removably secured to the catheter handle.

Claim 18 (previously presented): The catheter of claim 17, wherein the removable platform comprises protruding stabilizers.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The catheter of claim 17, wherein the removable platform has a lower surface that is generally curved.

Claim 20 (previously presented): The catheter of claim 17 wherein the removable platform is slidably secured to the catheter handle.